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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Original) A method for diagnosing an angina condition in a patient, said method comprising:
 - a) stimulating lymphocytes from said patient,
 - b) determining the frequency of cytokine-producing cells among said lymphocytes,
- c) comparing said frequency of cytokine-producing cells to a reference frequency to obtain information about said angina condition, and
 - d) classifying said angina condition as stable or unstable based on said information.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said lymphocytes are CD4⁺ cells.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said lymphocytes are CD8⁺ cells.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said stimulating comprises contacting said lymphocytes with a phorbol ester.
- 5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein said phorbol ester comprises phorbol myristate acetate.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said stimulating comprises contacting said lymphocytes with a calcium ionophore.
- 7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said calcium ionophore comprises ionomycin.

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8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the percent of CD4⁺ cells producing INF-γ.

- 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the percent of $CD8^+$ cells producing INF- γ .
- 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the percent of CD4⁺ cells producing IL-2.
- 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the percent of CD4⁺ cells producing IL-4.
- 12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said reference frequency comprises the median frequency of cytokine-producing cells derived from a population.
- 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said median frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the median percent of CD4⁺ cells producing INF-γ derived from said population.
- 14. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said median frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the median percent of CD8⁺ cells producing INF- γ derived from said population.
- 15. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said median frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the median percent of CD4⁺ cells producing IL-2 derived from said population.
- 16. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said median frequency of cytokine-producing cells comprises the median percent of CD4⁺ cells producing IL-4 derived from said population.

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17. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said population comprises a population of unstable angina patients.

- 18. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said population comprises a population of stable angina patients.
- 19. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein said population comprises a population of healthy individuals.

Claims 20-34 (Cancelled)